

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present Supplemental Amendment is filed further to the Request for Continued Examination filed January 23, 2009 in the above-identified application.

Claims 1-6, 9-13 and 10-24 are the claims currently pending in the present application.

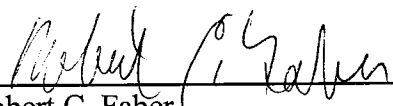
Claim 1 is amended to clarify features recited thereby. These amendments are fully supported by applicant's disclosure, see, for example, Specification, page 14, lines 23-25, which states that Fig. 5 illustrates the positions of the blades 153A and 153B of a cutting tool which cooperates with one of the working strips 157 to form a cutout in sheet 12, and page 15, lines 14-16 which explains that width L_0 is measured between the outer faces of the blades 153A and 153B, between two radii of the cylinder 155.

In view of the foregoing, allowance of the claims of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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